

I live in Indiana and have appreciated the dramatic reduction in nuisance telephone calls (from businesses, telemarketers and fundraisers) following my family's participation in Indiana's "Do Not Call" list. We've listed our home and cell phones. Please do not allow telemarketers to get around our state's protections by simply calling from another state. As it is, we still receive calls from out-of-state and out-of-country representatives of companies with whom we have never had relationships. Those who are so uninformed as to give me a name and a call back number get a call from the Indiana Attorney General's office instead. I do not wish to have members of my family need to answer the phone to deal with people asking for money for causes we do not support, products we do not need, nor for business relationships that we do not wish to expand. State regulation of who can and cannot call our family's phones has allowed us to eat dinner in relative peace. Given that the FCC is dealing with a coalition of telemarketers and non-profit companies with well-funded lobbies, however, I don't believe the FCC will actually stand up for the rights of consumers. I'm resigned to fact that money talks and that we'll have to teach our 5 and 6 year-old sons (who have just learned how to properly answer the phone) not to say "yes" to a business so that our family does not inadvertently enter into new financial relationships.